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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: YASUO OKUTANI, ET AL. Application No.: 09/818,581) :) :	Examiner: Unassigned Group Art Unit: 2644	
Filed: March 28, 2001	;		
For: SPEECH SYNTHESIS APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM) :)	June 21, 2001	RECEIVED JUN 2 5 2001
Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231			Technology Center 2600

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

APPLICATION NO.	<u>FILING DATE</u>	GROUP ART UNIT
09/818,607	March 28, 2001	2641
09/816,613	March 29, 2001	UNASSIGNED

Copies of the above-cited applications are enclosed.

FEE STATEMENT

No fee or statement is required in connection with this Information Disclosure statement, since it is being submitted prior to the last of (1) issuance of a first official action on the merits or (2) expiration of the three month period following filing of the above-captioned application.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that an annotated copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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